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Examiner Name: Christopher R. Buchanan
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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2002, for three (3) months from October 1, 2002 to January 1, 2003.

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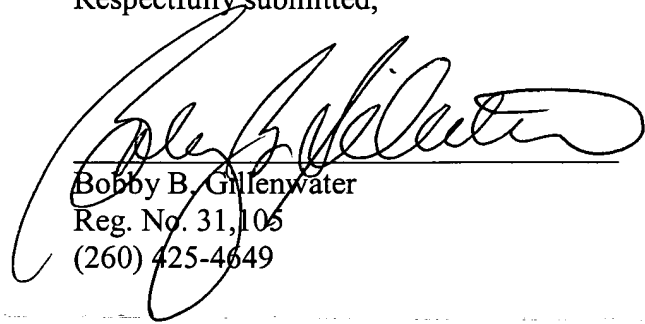
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Respectfully submitted,



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